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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. FOR THE AMBASSADOR; THE INDIVIDUAL GEORGE DISCUSSED
WITH YOU WILL NOW BE TRAVELLING ON DOCUMENTS ISSUED IN HIS
OWN NAME. I TRUST GUS WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.

2. SEVENTH AND TENTH FLOOR RENOVATION: THERE SEEMS TO BE
A MISUNDERSTANDING ABOUT STATE 50368. CABLE REFERRED ONLY
TO REPLACING 81 SOLID WOODEN DOORS WITH METAL DOORS AND
ADDING SUSPENDED CEILINGS TO 7TH FLOOR. OUR UNDERSTANDING
IS THAT ALL OTHER WORK PROGRAMMED FOR THESE FLOORS, I.E.,
REPLACING WIRING, ADDING SUSPENDED CEILINGS TO 10TH FLOOR,
REPAIRING AND REPAINTING WALLS, RECARPETING, ETC. WILL GO
ON AS PLANNED. FBO SAID DOORS AND 7TH FLOOR CEILINGS WENT
BEYOND ORIGINAL SCOPE OF WORK AND IT APPEARED THAT THESE TWO
ITEMS (COSTING ABOUT 153,000 DOLLARS) WERE NOT NECESSARY.
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OUR COPY OF FIRE REPORT DATED JANUARY 21 SAID PARTITION
DOORS SHOULD BE MADE OF SOLID (NOT HOLLOW) CORE WOOD OR
METAL. ALSO, REPORT SAID THAT SUSPENDED CEILINGS SHOULD
BE DISCOURAGED. WE WILL GO BACK TO FBO AND TRY TO GET
SPECIFIC ANSWERS TO MOSCOW 3132 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. WHEN GREENBERG AND NYDELL APPROACH CHAZOV ON

LYMPHOCYSTOSIS, BEAR IN MIND THAT WE DON'T GET ALL CABLES
IN SOME CHANNELS SO CLUE US IN IF A REPORT HAS BEEN SENT
IN THOSE CHANNELS.

4. COMMERCE HAS ASKED US TO PROVIDE SHORT BIO SKETCHES
OF EMBASSY OFFICERS SECRETARY KREPS IS LIKELY TO MEET
DURING HER TRIP TO MOSCOW. WE CAN, OF COURSE, USE
MATERIAL IN THE BIOGRAPHIC REGISTER BUT BELIEVE EMBASSY
MIGHT PROVIDE MORE READABLE INFORMATION. IF AGREEABLE, WE
NEED BIOS FOR MESSRS. FARRAND, SIND AND SKOUG.

5. AT THE AMBASSADOR'S REQUEST, I PHONED PERLE FOR A
READOUT ON THEIR MEETING WITH TOLYA; I GOT FOSDICK
INSTEAD, WHO SAID THEY WOULDN'T SAY ANYTHING WITHOUT THEIR
BOSS'S OK AND IT WAS DOUBTFUL HE WOULD WANT TO SEND
ANYTHING. SHE SAID THE TRIP IS STILL VERY MUCH IN THE
DISCUSSION STAGE. I WOULD GUESS THE ENCOUNTER DID NOT
GO WELL.

6. THE PNE PAPER WAS POUCHED ON INVOICE A-89, UNCLASSI-
FIED POUCH B0293, FEBRUARY 18. LET US KNOW IF STILL UN-
RECEIVED.

7. I TRUST BY NOW YOU RECEIVED MY PERSONAL LETTER OF
FEBRUARY 5. I POUCHED ANOTHER MARCH 1, INCORPORATING
THE AMBASSADOR'S VIEWS ON TIMING (BRIEF OVERLAP, AUGUST
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OK).

8. DOD POSTURE STATEMENT. WE ARE POUCHING TO EMBASSY
THIS FRIDAY IN CARE OF BILL BROWN SIX COPIES OF SECDEF
HAROLD BROWN'S DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANNUAL REPORT, FISCAL
1979. CHRISTOPHER

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